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Florida House of Representatives Introduces New MyFloridaHouse.gov New site provides easy access to some of the most requested information from the Florida House

Tallahassee, Fla. – Ahead of the start of the 2012 Legislative Session, the Florida House of Representatives today unveiled a new version of MyFloridaHouse.gov featuring a new site design, simpler organization and updated features that will allow users to more easily track the issues they care about during the upcoming Session.

"We are pleased to unveil a new online home for the Florida House of Representatives," said House Speaker Dean Cannon (R-Winter Park). "We are confident the new user-friendly site design will enable the various constituencies we serve to more quickly access information they need to learn about and track the business of the House."

The new site was developed jointly by the House Office of Public Information and the House Office of Information Technology. Improvements to the site were made based on viewership data and customer feedback. During session, the site will feature content about the latest issues under consideration by the Florida House of Representatives.

In addition, the site also includes an all new Public Guide, which contains Office of Public Information materials for background as well as links with answers to some of the most common questions about the Florida House. The Public Guide also includes a Just for Students section with facts, information about internships and the House Page and Messenger program and an overview of how an idea becomes a law.

Among the updated features of MyFloridaHouse.gov:

- ➤ **More content.** A slider on the main page featuring the latest information about what's happening in the Florida House of Representatives.
- ➤ All new, simplified page layout. Find what you are looking for in fewer clicks and with an easier-to-use navigation bar.
- > Smarter social media integration. Floridians can now watch embedded YouTube videos and have easier access to the Florida House's Facebook and Twitter accounts.
- New member pages. Find out more about your member, view pictures and see what bills they are working on.
- ➤ Bill lookup and tracking throughout the site. The new site contains tabs on the right and left-hand side of every page for easier access to the bill search and tracking tools.

Starting today, users can access the new site at MyFloridaHouse.gov. To sign up for email updates from the Office of Public Information, users may submit their email addresses at MyFloridaHouse.gov.